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Re: Our file: 9209/1  
Applicant: Christopher Boni  
Serial No.: 10/002,941  
Filing Date: 11/15/01  
Title: Adjustable Locking Strap Apparatus

Sir:


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1. Communication with Exhibits A and B
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CONDITIONAL PETITION

If any extension of time is required for the submission of the above-identified items, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. Please charge any additional charges or any other charges relating to this matter to the deposit account of the writer, **Account No. 06-2143**. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted

  
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COMMUNICATION

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Sir:

We received and reviewed our Monthly Statement of Deposit Account and are requesting a refund in the amount of \$65.00 for the above-referenced application. A copy of the deposit account statement is attached hereto at Exhibit A. The pertinent facts in support of this request are as follows:


1. On August 8, 2003, Applicant submitted a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), along with a Request for an Extension of Time and a Preliminary Amendment. Applicant submitted these documents with a check in the amount of \$444.00 to cover the government filing fee of \$375.00 for filing the (RCE) and fee for extra claims totaling \$69.00. Applicant instructed the Patent Office to charge Deposit Account No. 06-2143 in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the one

month extension of time fee. Copies of these documents as filed with the Patent Office, along with a copy of the check that was submitted, are attached hereto at Exhibit B.

3. Our deposit account was charged \$120.00 for fees in connection with extra claims. However, Applicant paid the fees for extra claims at the time of filing the RCE. As you will note in the attached Amendment Transmittal at Exhibit B, Applicant paid for a total of 26 claims and 6 independent claims. Accordingly, our deposit account should have only been charged \$55.00 for the one month extension of time. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests a refund in the amount of \$65.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 06-2143.

Dated: 9/19/03

Respectfully submitted,



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Our File: 920911  
Applicant: boni  
Serial No.: 101008941  
Filing Date: 11/15/01

Title: Adjustable Locking Strap Apparatus  
On the date stamped hereon, the United States Patent  
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- ☐ Patent Application (    pages)
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- ☐ Drawings (    pages) informal/formal, FIGS. 1-\_\_
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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	10/002,941
Filing Date	11/15/01
First Named Inventor	Christopher Boni
Art Unit	3676
Examiner Name	Walsh, John B.
Attorney Docket Number	9209/1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

- Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. ☒ Other Extension Request
- Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-2143

i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)


iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 444.00 enclosed

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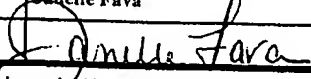
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## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
9209/1

In Re Application Of: Christopher Boni

Serial No.  
10/002,941

Filing Date  
11/15/01

Examiner  
Walsh, John B.

Group Art Unit  
3676

Invention: Adjustable Locking Strap

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 04/08/03 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

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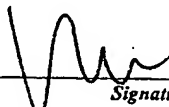
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A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
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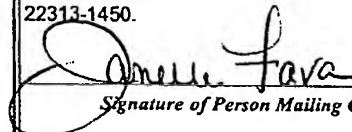
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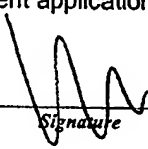
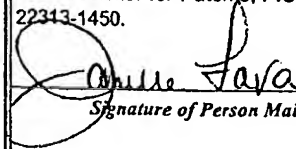
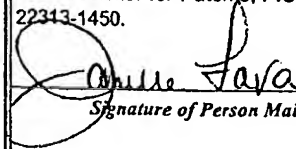
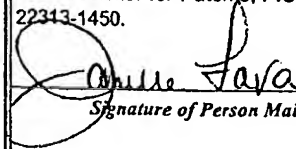
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>9209/1</b>							
Applicant(s): <b>Christopher Boni</b>											
Serial No. <b>10/002,941</b>	Filing Date <b>11/15/01</b>	Examiner <b>Walsh, John B.</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3676</b>								
Invention: <b>Adjustable Locking Strap Apparatus</b>											
<u><b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b></u>											
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.											
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